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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. In accordance with the pre-OG Notice dated July 11, 2003, entitled "Information Disclosure Statements May Be Filed Without Copies of U.S. Patents and Published Applications in Patent Applications filed after June 30, 2003," only copies of the listed foreign document and the U.S. application listed below are enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. application:

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JP '504 is discussed at page 4 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

US '124, US '262, US '600, US '359, US '333, US '129 and US '796, which generally relate to ink jet recording, are discussed at pages 27-28 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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